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**EXAMINER:** 

FOR:

JOINING METHOD AND JOINING APPARATUS FOR JOINING BELT-SHAPED GLASS SHEETS, MANUFACTURING METHOD AND MANUFACTURING APPARATUS FOR GLASS FRAME, AND

MANUFACTURING METHOD AND MANUFACTURING APPARATUS FOR IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS

WITH GLASS FRAME

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached Taiwanese Office Action listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.

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